

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE PATENT APPLICATION EXAMINING OPERATIONS

Group Art Unit: 1711

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August 18, 2000 EXPANDED POROUS THERMOPLASTIC POLYMER MEMBRANES Filed

AND METHOD AND DEVICE FOR THE PRODUCTION Title :

THEREOF

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

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The applicant in the above-identified patent Dear Sir: application hereby petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks for a two month extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR §1.136 to file a Request for Continued Examination in response to the final rejection dated August 24, 2001. The applicant is a large entity and, in accordance with 37 CFR  $\S1.17$ , a fee in the amount of  $\S400$  is enclosed.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee relating to this application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1550. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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